

Chapter SC 3

**METHODOLOGY FOR CALCULATING RECOMMENDED
SENTENCE LENGTHS****SC 3.01 Methodology for calculating recommended sentence lengths**

SC 3.01 Methodology for calculating recommended sentence lengths. (1) Guideline sentences for specific offense and offender type shall be developed using appropriate standardized statistical techniques to determine the relative weight of legal variables on sentence length in past sentencing in Wisconsin general jurisdiction courts. In every instance, the guideline sentences shall relate directly to multivariate coefficients significant at the .05 level or less, and shall be established directly from the research findings.

(2) In every instance the effect of inappropriate variables on sentence length shall be controlled.

(3) Guideline sentences developed by the method outlined in subs. (1) and (2) shall be reviewed periodically by means of additional statistical analysis to confirm their validity.

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